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From: Mike Murray
To: Doug Stover

Subject: Comments on proposed rule for ORV

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Doug,

We received the following comments on the ORV proposed rule regarding our consultation with the Tuscarora Nation during the EIS planning process. Please consult whomever you think is appropriate and draft a brief response to this comment by COB on October 14.

Commenters stated that the consultation made with the Tuscarora Indian Tribe was not needed as they never lived on at Cape Hatteras.

Organization: Not Specified

Organization Type: Unaffiliated Individual

Representative Quote: The consultation with the Tuscarora Indian tribe was an insult to the Native Americans who inhabit the Outer Banks. The natives were Croatoans, whose descendants intermingled with the Europeans and still live here and use the beaches for recreation and cultural observances such as weddings, scattering of ashes, Easter sunrise services and spiritual contemplation. The Bornfriend Native American Museum in Frisco and the History Museum in Avon have collections of artifacts and share knowledge of early Hatteras. At least one book has been written by a Croatoan descendent and resident Scott Dawson, entitled Croatoan: Birthplace of America. Hatteras and Ocracoke Island Villages were: Ha, Pacuiwoc, Croatoan, Wodokon. Incidentally, these Indians had names for most of the mammals being killed today by the NPS with the excuse they are invasive and exotic. The current descendants also benefit from the annual influx of tourist money. The Tuscarora, who don't even speak the island Algonquin language, were enemies of the Croatoan. Of course the Tuscarora never replied to the NPS because they never lived on these islands. This is another example of how the NPS has hoodwinked the public into believing that they are exercising due diligence. NPS has not worked with the local population as required.

Thanks,

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